## October 21, 2020

The Cumberland County Board of Elections met at the Board of Elections Office for a 9:00AM Absentee Meeting.

Present:

Floyd Johnson, Chairman

Irene Grimes, Member Terri Robertson, Director Linda Devore, Secretary Helen Nelson, Member

Staff:

Vickie Hilburn

Guests:

Live-feed available for members of the public.

Chairman Floyd Johnson called the meeting to Order at 9:00AM, and presented the Agenda.

ACTION:

Member Nelson moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Seconded and approved unanimously.

Board Members randomly selected Absentee Ballots envelopes to spot check and confirm the voter signature, witness signature, and witness information. No irregularities were found.

Board Members began reviewing Absentee Ballot envelopes that arrived with Witness Cure Affidavits to address irregularities. Of 101 reviewed, members were unable to arrive at consensus for approval on 16 of the ballot envelopes. No action was taken.

Staff reported that 1083 Civilian Absentee Ballot envelopes, 122 Military Absentee Ballots, and 21 Overseas Absentee Ballots have been reviewed by staff and are recommended for approval.

Director Robertson confirmed that the ballot tabulator currently shows 14,286\* ballots.

ACTION:

Secretary Devore moved to authorize staff to open the 1083 Civilian, 122

Military, and 21 Overseas Absentee Ballot envelopes presented, and proceed with

any needed duplication of ballots. Seconded and passed unanimously.

Civilian Absentee Ballot envelopes were opened, no irregularities found, and placed in the tabulator.

**ACTION:** 

Secretary Devore moved to approve 1083 Civilian Absentee Ballots recommended

by staff without irregularities.

Seconded and passed unanimously. 4-0

Chairman Johnson recessed the meeting at 12:48PM for lunch, and called the meeting back to order at 1:38PM.

122 Military Absentee Ballots were opened, duplicated as needed, and placed in the tabulator

ACTION:

Member Grimes moved to approve 122 Military Absentee Ballots recommended

by staff without irregularities.

Seconded and passed unanimously. 4-0

21 Overseas Absentee Ballots presented were opened and duplicated as needed. One Overseas Ballot was discovered to be cut off at the bottom, so not every vote was displayed. The voter will be contacted and offered a new ballot.

**ACTION:** 

Secretary Devore moved to approve 20 Military Absentee Ballots recommended

by staff without irregularities.

Seconded and passed unanimously. 4-0

Total ballots approved today: 1225

Tabulator total: 15,511\* [One Oct 8th ballot will be adjusted out on Election Day]

Cumulative Total Mail-in Absentee Ballots Approved: 15,510.

Director Robertson reported an additional 8570 ballots were cast and accepted after the report received at our Tuesday meeting and up to 3:00PM yesterday, including the Absentee Ballots approved today.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 22 at 9:00AM at the Board of Elections office.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00PM.

Submitted by,

inda Devore, Secretary

Chairman

Member

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Member

Director